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Big plans

Dairy Queen announces it will be opening a restaurant on Highway 35



History talk

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Green gardening delight

Throngs of people came to the annual plant sale hosted by the Minden and District Horticultural Society at the Village Green in Minden on Saturday, May 28. Early attendance forced an early start to the event. The Haliburton County Master Gardener group will host its own sale this weekend at the Village Green on Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon. Darren Lum Times staff

Council considers paying head hunter

Minden looks at paying recruiter after search for manager proves unfruitful

Chad Ingram Staff reporter

Minden Hills council is looking to hire a professional recruiter to find the township a new environment and property operations manager.

The township has been without that staff member some five months, after former manager Peter Brown resigned to take a job as operations director for Parry Sound late last year.

The township has interviewed 20 applicants for the position but none has passed the test.

At a May 26 council meeting, Reeve Barb Reid recommended the township retain the services of Toronto-based recruitment agency Feldman Daxon Partners Inc. to find a suitable individual for the cost of \$21,000 plus taxes and expenses.

Was this tendered or did we just ask two individuals?" asked Councillor Lisa Schell, pointing out that because the expense would exceed

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Minden Hills council changes agent of record

Staff reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at a May 26 Minden Hills council meeting.

Councillors voted to change the township's agent of record for insurance from local insurance broker Shawn Hagerman to insurance firm Mosey & Mosey.

I don't necessarily think that larger is better," said Councillor Jean Neville as councillors discussed the issue.

Reeve Barb Reid said the company specialized in giving smaller municipalities bigger buying power and Councillor Ken Redpath agreed going with Mosey & Mosey would be of financial benefit to the township.

"Frankly, I didn't think our existing carrier had done a lot for us," Redpath said. "The bigger the pot is, the better price you're going to get."

Reid emphasized that it was not clear the township would be changing its broker and that the discussion was solely about the agent of record.

A recorded vote was requested and Redpath, Reid along

Discussing pool location premature

Councillors heard from Gary McKnight of the Haliburton County Swimming Pool Initiative who was looking for a commitment from council that a pool could be built on the grounds of the Minden Hills Community Centre.

with Mosey & Mosey while Neville, Deputy-reeve Cheryl

Murdoch and Councillor Lisa Schell voted in opposition.

"The Minden arena property looks pretty good . . . to us, anyway," McKnight said.

The group is working on raising \$17,500 for half of a demand feasibility study, the other half of which it's hoping will be paid for by the Haliburton County Development Corporation.

Councillors told McKnight that it was too premature for them to be making any kind of commitment with regards to a pool and asked him to work with community services director Rick Cox on a report that could be brought back to the council table.

New policies

Councillors reviewed a document on changes to policies on staff conduct, respect in the workplace and township-owned/leased vehicles. The document was drawn up by former interim chief administrative officer John Rogers, who is listed as a special projects advisor. The policies are to be voted on at the end of June.

Surplus spending

The township will be spending the bulk of its \$440,000 surplus from 2010 on projects including work on entranceways at the community centre, electrical work at the ball diamond which will include the repair of the scoreboard, the township portion of the snowmobile/ATV Minden revitalization project, building renovations at the cultural centre, new financial software and the repair of the road to the water tower. \$75,000 will go into the 2011 operating budget and about \$107,000 will go into capital reserves.

The surplus was acquired mostly through lighter-thanusual winter maintenance and cost savings on staff who were on leave.

Crazy raft builders wanted for July 1

Calling all creative Highlanders: now is the time to get busy building crazy rafts and making costumes for Minden's Canada Day Crazy Raft Race on July 1.

It's time to breakout the barrels (or anything that floats) and start work on your entry for the Canada Day Crazy Raft Race down the tranquil Gull River. There is no entry fee, but each raft must be substantially home made.

Youth under 18 must have a waiver signed by a parent or guardian (forms available at the race start, or the township office). An adult must accompany those under 16 and canoes or kayaks may accompany a raft.

The race starts at Rotary Park around 12:30, July 1. Registration is from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. All entrants must wear lifejackets. For more details contact Race Director Bill Chadwick (bill.chadwick@sympatico.ca) 905-853-



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Dancers showcase their talents

toddlers to teens. Darren Lum Times staff

The acro-dancers pose during the Haliburton Dance Arts 2011 HDA Dance

Showcase held at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton on

Friday, May 27. There were a variety of dance disciplines showcased, including hip-hop, acrobatic and theatrical. A diverse age range was on display from

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The DQ Grill & Chill construction group, left, Claudio Bortolussi and Gino Capozzoli announced plans to build a 3,000 square-foot restaurant at the intersection of Highway 35 and Bobcaygeon Road at the Minden Hills town hall meeting at the Minden Hills Community Centre on Saturday, May 28. The restaurant is expected to be built by the summer of 2012 and will create between 40 and 50 full and part-time jobs. Pending site plan approval by council, the construction could begin in as little as two weeks

Darren Lum Times staff

Program poses new challenges for health board

Jenn Watt Editor

The province's Home First program is successfully diverting patients from long-term care beds back to their homes, but it's having another side effect: increasing the care requirements of those who do end up in those beds.

The health services board heard from Don Ford, CEO of the Community Care Access Centre for this region at their meeting May 26, who told them that for the past nine months, his staff have been keeping patients out of emergency rooms and long-term care beds by providing care at

"Home First is felt to be a partial solution to the [alternate level of care issue] to make sure that individuals who shouldn't be in long-term care aren't in long-term care,' Ford told the board.

The term "alternate level of care" (ALC) is used by the medical profession when a patient is using a bed not necessary for his or her condition.

By taking the ALC patients out of the long-term-care and acute-care spots, those ending up in the beds may need even more intense treatment than those currently there,

"There is a possibility that the profile of the clients you're seeing in the acute care and the long-term care are going to change as well because you're going to get the heavier ones because we're going to be managing some of the ones you're now managing in the home," Ford said.

Board member Bram Lebo wondered if this meant a greater cost to the hospital. "The costs of caring for someone in the long-term care home will increase because you're keeping them out until the point where they're desperate for it," Lebo said.

Ford said that would likely be the case.

Board member Warren Arsenault questioned if there were enough long-term care beds and whether Home First was a real solution. "The ministry would have us believe that the solution to the ALC problem is to put people at home. My sense is the solution is more long-term care beds," he said. Ford asserted that there were enough beds, but there was debate over whether they were in the right locations.

It's official: Dairy Queen to set up shop in Minden

Darren Lum Staff reporter

A construction group is announcing plans for a Dairy Queen restaurant, giving greater economic hope to a longstanding derelict property on Highway 35 in Minden.

The DQ Grill & Chill construction and owner group, who were represented by Claudio Bortolussi and Gino Capozzoli with its consultant, engineer Andrew Ip, made the announcement of the project at the start of the second Minden Hills town hall meeting at the Minden Hills Community Centre on Saturday, May 28.

They introduced plans and fielded questions about the 3,000-square-foot restaurant planned for the northwest corner of Hwy 35 and Bobcaygeon Road in Minden -formerly Rusty's Garage.

"Sometimes we feel we're the only ones investing in Minden," Bortolussi said. "We're just hoping that by us doing things like this it just brings more people up and create more jobs. Get the kids to work."

They received applause from the several dozen in attend-

ance about the official project announcement that has been two-years in the making, delayed slightly by the owners' decision to wait until the new council took over.

Pending site plan approval by council, the project is set and can begin in two weeks Bortolussi said.

Reeve Barb Reid was supportive of the initiative and said, You won't be disappointed. You're known in the marketing industry as early adopters and you're showing people the tremendous potential in this township and in this county."

The restaurant will include an outdoor patio and is expected to create between 40 and 50 full and part-time jobs. Completion is expected by the summer of 2012

Capozzoli and Bortolussi also own and manage Highland Park Homes in Minden with associate Gustavo Rojas.

They also announced the expansion of the Highland Park Minden subdivision, Pineridge Estates, with plans beginning on phase two and the near complete sellout of phase

There were several requests from the audience, including Reid, for a two-storey condominium development.

Bortolussi and Ip both agreed it is technically possibly, but would be considered in the future and rest mainly with the cost since single dwellings are far less expensive to construct than condominiums.

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Beer Store holds leukemia fundraiser

Despite cloudy conditions, year-round and seasonal residents helped with donations of their empties during The Beer Store's Returns for Leukemia fundraiser at the Minden location on Saturday, May 28. The Minden location raised \$1,545 for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Canada through the collection during the past few weeks. This is the sixth year for the single largest fundraising event for leukemia, which has raised more than \$3 million, including more than \$1 million last year. Darren Lum Times staff



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Councillors want in on staff evals

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

There was tension in Minden Hills council chambers on May 26 as councillors discussed a policy on employee performance appraisals.

Entitled Policy No. 28, its preamble reads: "Council has adopted position descriptions for the members of its staff, and deems that, in the interest of maintaining the highest level of performance for staff employed by the Township of Minden Hills, performances be reviewed in a formal documented manner and evaluations determined with reference to duties and responsibilities as stipulated."

While the policy reads the township's chief administrative officer (CAO) will be responsible for conducting performance appraisals of department heads and that appraisals for other employees will be completed by the CAO or their immediate supervisors, Reeve Barb Reid said she'd like to see the scope expanded so that appraisals would be done incorporating voluntary input from councillors. This drew the ire of some of her colleagues.

"I don't really think that council should have its finger in

on this," said Councillor Lisa Schell, adding it was her opinion employee reviews should be the CAO's job.

'This is a best practice," Reid responded, saying that it's common for councillors in larger municipalities to have input on employee appraisals.

Schell accused the reeve of continuing to put changes into the policy without notifying all members of council.

"You're altering it again after it comes to me," she said. "You just changed it today."

Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch spoke vehemently against

"I will never support anything that puts any council members in judgment of staff," she said, emphasizing some councillors were only five months into their political careers. "We're going down the wrong road here. God help Minden Hills.'

Councillor Ken Redpath, likening the situation to his background in business, pointed out that a board of directors, while its members may not directly oversee employees, has a role in the performance review process.

"It just doesn't make any sense to me to shut this council out," Redpath said.

The vote on the policy was deferred.

Redpath argues \$20,000 price tag worth it

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\$10,000, it was the township purchasing policy that a formal tendering process be undertaken. "We need a tender."

Reid said the township had gotten a referral to use the

Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch was against the idea.

"I can't go there," she said. "We keep talking about fiscal

"A suitable person has not materialized," Reid said.

While she conceded the expense was significant, she emphasized the individual hired for the position may at some point go on to be a director of public works for the township and that it was important to find the right per-

Schell sat in on the interviews with the township's personnel committee of Reid and councillors Ken Redpath and Larry Clarke and the chief administrative officer and said she thought a suitable candidate had been passed "I'm very confident that one individual fit the bill," she

Redpath disagreed with the notion that hiring a recruiter was fiscally irresponsible.

"We've got to get it right this time," he said. "If it costs \$20,000 to do it, so be it."

Reid explained that recruitment companies operate based on a six-month guarantee. That is, if the individual brought forward is not up to snuff, they must start the process over again until the client is satisfied.

"This concept may be new for Minden Hills," she said, but added it's a widely established practice.

There are still two candidates to interview and council passed a motion that, pending a failing review of those candidates, the township would look for a recruiter.

A recorded vote was requested with Redpath, Clarke, Reid and Councillor Brigitte Gall supporting the motion and Murdoch, Schell and Councillor Jean Neville in oppo-

Local playwright included in anthology

Jenn Watt Editor

Minden resident Michael Fay's acclaimed play Never Such Innocence Again has found more success - this time in printed form.

Fay's love story, set in the Haliburton Highlands in the days leading up to the First World War, was one of only five full-length community plays selected for Grassroots: Original Plays from Community Theatres.

'This is a first," Dennis Johnson, editor of the book and coordinator of community theatre for Theatre Ontario wrote in an email to the paper.

"Most plays in Canada do not get published unless they have had a production by a professional theatre."

While not produced professionally, Never Such Innocence Again was a large production for the Highlands back when it was performed in 2005 with a cast including Kathryn Boyd and Tim Nicholson and was directed by Caryl

It was given nine awards by the Eastern Ontario Drama League that year.

"The thing about this particular competition [Grassroots] ... they put out a call to all the community theatres across Ontario for original Canadian theatre that had been produced by members of Theatre Ontario.

I submitted Never Such Innocence Again. It was one of 38 . shortlisted to 10 and finally listed to five and mine is one of the five," Fay said in an interview.

In late May, Theatre Ontario held a special ceremony for the book in Richmond Hill during their annual festival, where the selected playwrights signed copies.

"It was such a nice deal. They made one feel as if one was something special," Fay laughs.

And the play is something special - exploring the ethics of war and the virtues of peace through the lens of rural

Plays in Grassroots were selected not just for their content, but also for their transferability.

The hope is that other community theatres will stage the plays.

"Plays premiered by community theatres are often overlooked by producers," Johnson wrote. "Plays with large casts (which can easily be produced at the community level) are often overlooked by professional theatres looking for plays economical to produce. Never Such Innocence Again is particularly valuable since there are roles for five teenagers in the cast."

The other plays in the book include Kristen Sheppard's \$38,000 for a Friendly Face; Michael Grant's Hamish; Joan Burrows's Staff Room; and Sandy Conrad's A Year in Edna's

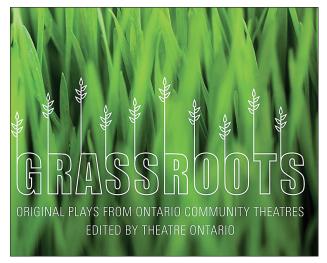
All of the plays are award winning.

Never Such Innocence Again was born of long commutes to and from the Highlands when Fay would provide the voice - literally - for his fledgling characters.

"I started talking to myself in the voices of these characters and it really just started to flow out of me. Once I started writing I was really confident that I knew what I was doing," Fay said.

He had already started investigating the history of Haliburton County, plus he had years of experience writing prose, studying under W.O. Mitchell in 1976 at the Banff Centre's writing division.

The inclusion in Grassroots has renewed Fay's resolve to continue working on locally situated historical plays.



Minden resident Michael Fay's play, Never Such Innocence Again, was one of only five selected for Theatre Ontario's anthology Grassroots: Original Plays from Ontario Community Theatres. The book was launched at Theatre Ontario's festival in Richmond Hill May 18, 2011.

"I'm going to really spend a lot of time now going back to six or so plays that I've written and do some rewriting," he said.

He's also entered a play based at the old Donald Chemical Plant, called Swing Sisters, into a competition called Theatre Starts at the Aurora Cultural Centre.

On top of that, Fay plans to mesh two of his most recent works - last year's Golden Slipper with A River Needs to Run - together for a richer full-length production.



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An unnecessary move

Chad Ingram

Reporter

AST WEEK THERE WAS considerable discussion in Minden Hills council chambers about what role councillors should play when it comes to appraising the performances of township staff.

Changes to township policy, in all likelihood, will be approved by four of council's seven members when the bylaw is voted on.

These changes will make councillors, albeit on a voluntary basis, part of the performance

appraisal process for the township's department heads.

This is a task that has traditionally been left to the township's chief administrative officer.

Some people will argue councillors are representatives of the people and that by making them part of the appraisal process, it makes the appraisals of staff members somehow more democratic.

I'm not one of these people.

The role of councillors should be to create policy; to decide where the train tracks are going to be laid.

The operation of the train itself should be left up to its engineer, the guy who, you know, knows about the inner workings of a train.

In this analogy, of course, that engineer is the township's chief administrative officer, who's spent a career in municipal administration.

> Most of the department heads are highly educated, specially years of experience under their proverbial

individuals and all of a sudden some rookie councillor was tell-

pretty demeaning.

And while it may be true that it's palities for politicians to be part of employee performance apprais-

ate an atmosphere of tension.

Council should stick to setting policy.



trained individuals with

If I were one of these

ing me how to do my job, I'd find it

I'd feel like I wasn't trusted. common practice in larger municials, it's important to remember that Minden Hills is not a larger municipality.

It's a small one.

Having councillors critiquing staff in Minden Hills serves no necessary purpose, but does seem likely to cre-





letters to the editor

Hooray for new garbage can

Dear Editor:

I certainly spend enough time carping about things done wrong; it's my pleasure to write in about something done right. There is a new garbage can on the Water Street side of the Riverwalk right at the small footbridge.

Thank you, town of Minden! It is a small thing, a simple thing, but that extra can makes a huge difference to those of us walking our dogs and young children twice a day!

Now, it would be very nice if people would stop abusing the privilege by packing it full of bags of household garbage.

Thank you for your consideration!

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points of view

Don't sweat the small stuff

THE OTHER DAY, I bought a pair of sandals. It seemed like a reasonable thing to do. Right up until someone told me that you should never wear white socks with

'Why the heck not?" I asked.

"Because there's no good reason to,"

What if there was?" I countered. "Then it might be appropriate," I was told. "But, trust me, there's no good reason."

Like most men my age, I had a hard time believing this. And it got even more complicated from there. You see, when I took the sandals to the counter, the cashier asked if I would like to buy leather treatment for them.

"Why would I want to do that?" I

"It will help preserve the leather and prevent marks caused by your toe sweat."

I have been accused of a lot of things, but never this.

'Look," I began, "I don't know what you've heard, but I can

assure you that my toes hardly ever break into a sweat. They just don't work that hard."
"Huh?" she asked.

"My toes, especially my big ones, live a life of leisure," I assured her. "I hardly wiggle them. That's right, these little piggies have never been to mar-

Later, as I stood out in the mall, I gave the issue further thought.

After all, these were professional shoe salespersons who were obviously dedicated to their trade. Why would they lie to you?

Perhaps Kayla's practised eye had noticed the early onset of toe sweating. Or, what if, for instance, I took up toe tapping? Or grape stomping? In

both cases my toes might, if not sweat outright, at least perspire. Then, in no time at all, I'd have toe sweat stains on my new sandals.

I took a few deep breaths and collected myself. I had to avert this problem before people started pointing at me, whispering as I passed.

I walked back into the store, determined to nip this in the bud, once and for all.

"Kayla," I began, "perhaps you remember me? We had a conversation about toe sweat."

Fifteen minutes had passed, so I knew it was a long shot. Yet, by the look on her face, I could tell that I had left some sort of impression.

"How could I forget you?" she mumbled, as her fingers searched for an under-the-counter button to press.

"Look," I said cagily, "I don't have toe sweat, but a friend of mine just might. What would it take to help him

She led me to the leather treatment aisle. There, set out before us, was a shelf of wondrous sprays and salves, all designed to treat leather and reduce cursed toe sweat marks.

"Any of these will do for your

friend," she winked.
I looked at the products and discovered that not one of them was available for under \$15. I left without purchasing any.

But, you know, I found a real good reason for white socks.

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Poults and goslings

Steve Galea

Beyond 35

E ARE CREATURES of habit here on Sapsucker Ridge, The Brown Dog Jiggs and I. When we break from routine, we upset the world around us.

There is a particular route for our breakfast walk most mornings that takes us down a slope and across a little valley before we head back home again.

For days now, we must have passed within a dozen feet of a bird who sat tight on her nest on that valley slope. Then one day we veer slightly off course and everything changes.

I veer, actually. The Brown Dog is snuffling in the underbrush a few feet away and doesn't even notice a bag of dark feathers about the size of a well-stuffed pillowcase explode from beneath my feet.

In that moment my eyes follow the big bird heading for the tree tops. I almost step on a nestful of turkey eggs before I even notice it.

My theory has always been that when I disturb a mother, the sooner I withdraw the more likely she is to come back, so I don't linger long enough to absorb all the details of this first turkey nest I have ever seen.

Nest seems like a generous term for what appears to be no more than a scraping away of the leaves on the forest floor.

I stay long enough to see that there are perhaps a dozen eggs in the clutch, glossy and unimpressive except for their size, which would be Extra Extra Large if they were in a supermarket display case.

Turkeys no longer are a novelty on Sapsucker Ridge but The Brown Dog and I are more accus-

tomed to seeing them in the open fields along Deep Bay Road than here in the forest.

This is far enough on in the nesting season that the hen must have been on her nest for a while, even if we didn't notice her. Perhaps the large investment she has in her clutch will persuade her to come back to it.

The truth is, I will never know, for The Brown Dog and I will give the nest site a wide berth for the next week or so, just in case she does return, leaving her undisturbed for the rest of the 28 days it will take for

the eggs to hatch.

It takes that long a sit because unlike, say, songbirds, the tur-

key poults need time to develop to the point where they come out of their shells largely self-sufficient, ready to walk and forage within 24 hours. In a couple of weeks, they will be able to fly.

Mother hangs around to supervise and discourage predators and to brood them, keep them warm at night and on rainy days

them, there will be good eating for any raccoon or skunk who happens by. When protein presents itself, wild predators are no more sentimental about babies than we are when we feast on lamb or veal.

Neither is The Brown Dog. Though his hunting instincts are weak by dog standards, he sure is curious.

The day before the turkey nest, there is a great, honking hullabaloo around a bend in the woods road where it curls around the end of

Coon Pond.

Dog barks, geese honk, and there at my feet in the road is a gosling about the size of my fist. Up ahead, The Brown Dog is inspecting another baby staying very still in the grass verge.

Just time for me to pull Jiggs away by his collar, then check back on the first gosling, who has disappeared by now. Then Jiggs' gosling is gone too, either lost and confused in the underbrush or headed back to Mom. Who can tell?

There is more than one goose family floating among the tussocks in Coon Pond. Can parents count? Hen partridges can't, I know, and babies who fall behind are forgotten.

Nature gives even the keenest of observers only brief glimpses of stories that have nothing to do with us. Jiggs and I are only stumbling amateurs. It's not like in the movies; we don't get to see things how things

A collection of Neil Campbell's columns, Cell Phones and Sap Buckets, is available in stores across Haliburton County.

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Neil Campbell Back of Beyond

Rail Trail ramblers learn Gelert's history

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

Gelert's history sprung to life when Gelertian Terry Carr spoke at the Rambles grand finale lunch hosted by YMCA Wanakita on Sunday, May 29.

Facilitated for and by the Friends of the Rail Trail, the historical talk was preceded by a hike starting at the first pioneer road in Haliburton, Gould's Crossing, and a buffet

Carr, a Friends member, revealed Gelert was once a staunchly "orange" township centre that was a bustling area complete with a train station, post office, blacksmith, wagon maker, two general stores, hotel, several mills (wool, carpet, sod and shingle and plaining) and manufacturers for a brief period between the second half of the 19th century until the early 20th century.

The start of the boom began in 1878 with the opening of the Victoria Railway.

Her own memories were as a little girl when she spent her days (trying her best to stay out of the way of her parents, who ran the Gelert Gardens restaurant) walking the sawdust trail and playing at the train station.

"One day I went there and there was nothing there. It absolutely broke my heart. I was devastated," she said.

Carr's research included examination of the 1911 census and recognized the family names, which are still represented by descendents more than a century later such as

Signs of the decline were evident by the end of the first

decade of the 20th century.

Two dozen farms were abandoned for the West while the lumber industry died because of fires.

By 1980, CN closed the railway line.

The Gelert name is staked in a tragic Welsh legend of a great prince and his dog.

The medieval Prince Llewelyn, who spent his summers in Snowden, Wales, was about to leave for a hunt, but could not find his most trusted companion, Gelert, an Irish wolf

He left and returned to discover a bounding Gelert bloodied. When the prince entered his hunting lodge he discovered things overturned, articles strewn about and fearing the worst he ran to the nursery where his baby boy was, but found a crib overturned, linens bloodied. Unable to find his son and when Gelert came into view, still bloodied around the muzzle, the prince assumed the worst and drew his sword and drove it into the heart of the hound.

Just as Gelert lay motionless, bleeding, the cry of his baby

Llewelyn followed the noise to his son, seeing him laying beside the body of a large wolf killed obviously by his faith-

The prince buried his dog and raised a memorial over his grave where it was renamed Beddgelert, meaning Gelert's

In preparation, she said, there were challenges in finding published and documented literature about Gelert, forcing ner to turn to her own family and descendents of the area.

The proud "Gelertian," who lived her entire life in Gelert, acknowledges the presence of First Nations people to the area, but found only limited information about them and

Terry Carr, who revealed Gelert is the name of a dog in a Welsh legend, spoke about the history of Gelert at the Friends of the Rail Trail Rambles grand finale lunch held at YMCA Wanakita on Sunday, May 29. Darren Lum Times staff

lamented about the historical omission.

For the past two months, every Sunday the group has met for a variety of events that include a hike, information session and a social component.

This was the final event in the series Sunday rambles for the season.

The Friends, who will continue to host events, will have their annual general meeting on Sunday, June 5.

Haliburton Relay for Life still looking for volunteers

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

The organizers of Haliburton's Relay for Life are reminding the community that it's not too late to get involved.

The event will take place at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School from 7 p.m. on Friday, June 10 to 7 a.m. on

"Sign ups are coming in fine and I believe the end result will be perfect," says organizer Aggie Tose.

Teams are typically asked to raise a minimum of \$1,000.

"Therefore we recommend 10 persons per team," Tose says. "That way the goal is very achievable."

It is also asked that teams be limited to 15 people, since more than that can become unmanageable for one camp-

A larger team that splits into two will be ensured side-byside campsites.

At press time, 41 teams of between eight and 15 people each were registered for the event.

It's difficult to tell which team is in the lead as far as fundraising was concerned.

"Some teams are not posting their offline donations, so the only number we see is what is collected online," Tose says. "Many teams collect 365 days a year; they ask family and friends to make donations to their team in lieu of Christmas and other gifts. Fighting cancer is a 365-day battle, not just June 10.

Hot and cold beverages, snacks and fruit will be available throughout the night and there will be a large selection of activities to keep participants entertained.

There will be performances by the high school's jazz band and the Highlands Swing Band, Zumba and kickboxing sessions and a show by comedy team Lo and Mo.

'The survivor lap is the first and most important part of



Insurance in cooperation with Floyd Hall Limited, made a \$1,500 donation to the Canadian Cancer Society of Ontario at the the Minden Floyd Hall office on May 26. Receiving the cheque was Mike Iles, far left, co-chair of Haliburton's Relay for Life fundraiser. Joining him are Eleanor Hall, Julie Hall, Glenn Hall, Tracey Ackerblade, Matt Hamilton, Lori DaRosa and Mark King, broker relations manager for Gore Mutual.

Gore Mutual

Chad Ingram Times staff

our event," Tose says. "Participants line the track and cheer the 300 survivors and caregivers as they walk the first lap. It is emotional for everyone as the one lap is only a symbol of the journey they are on. We as a community are here to support and encourage them to continue the battle.

Those who are not walking can participate by pledging, making donations and buying luminaries or taking part in the silent auction at the event.

"t is not just for those who are walking all night," Tose

says. "It is for the community."

Organizers are still looking for people to volunteer at the event and anyone interested can email haliburtoncountyrelayforlife@gmail.com.

To make a financial contribution, visit relayforlife.ca/ Ontario/haliburtoncounty.

Last year's event raised more than \$205,000 and the local total for four years is more than \$710,000.

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Roller Derby Mondays @ 7:00pm (after Zumba) – 10 week program/pre-registration required. Registration for new "Fresh Meat" Program now being accepted-please call Cammy @ 286-1936 ext.200 or Kayla @ 705-879-8852.

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NOTICE

For further information see the Township's website www. THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS WILL CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE FEES & CHARGES BY-LAW AT THEIR MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 30TH, 2011, AT 10:00 A.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 7 MILNE STREET, MINDEN:

A) SCHEDULE H: Community Services Programs & Facilities

• Community Centre Rental Fees

B) SCHEDULE I: Environment – Water, Sewer & Landfill

• \$5.00 Boat Shrink Wrap

Cheryl McCarroll, Clerk (705) 286-1260 ext. 214 cmccarroll@mindenhills.ca

We again welcome the Haliburton County Farmers' Market! Opening Day is Friday, June 17th, 2011 in Carnarvon. The Haliburton County Farmers' Market will be held Fridays from June 17th to and including September 9th, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. PLUS a Thanksgiving Special Market on October 7th, 1-5 pm.

The Minden Hills Branch of the Haliburton County Public Library will be OPEN on Mondays in July and August. Starting July 4th and ending August 29th, 2011 both branches will be open Mondays from 10-8.

These hours are in addition to the branch's regular hours. For a complete list of hours, services, and events for all eight branches

Please visit our website at: www.haliburtonlibrary.ca or call the Administrative Centre 705-457-2241

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

June 4 th	6:00 pm Minden Rotary Charity Dinner & Auction,
	Minden Community Centre
June 5 th -11 th	4th Annual Commuter Challenge – Bike to School
	www.commuterchallenge.ca
June 6 th	11:00 am Community Engagement Committee,
	2 nd Floor Boardroom
June 7 th	7:30 pm Events Committee meeting,
	Minden Community Centre
June 9 th	10:00 am COTW/General Committee - Council Chambers
June 10 th	Relay for Life 10:00 am Planning & Development
	Committee, Minden Library (Rotary Room)
June 14th	10:00 am Planning & Development Committee, Minden
	Library (Rotary Room)
June 15 th	7:00 pm Parks and Rec Meeting, Minden Community Centre
June 30th	10:00 am Council - Council Chambers
July 1 st	Minden Annual Canada Day Festivities, Fireworks, Crazy
	River Raft Race Visit www.mindenhills.ca (events tab)
	for more information and CC Raft Race Waiver
July 2 nd	8:00 am - 11:30 am Household Hazardous Waste Day,
	Scotch Line Landfill Site

Line Dancing: Tuesdays 10:00am-12:00pm-Minden Community Centre For information call Cammy at 705-286-1936 ext.200



Sanctuary - R.D. Lawrence Place

Until - December 16

Sanctuary as a theme in R.D. Lawrence's life is explored in this exhibition from his war years to founding wildlife sanctuaries in Ontario and how his writing still makes a case today for more wildlife sanctuaries.

Minden Hills Museum is open

New exhibit "Summer Picnics" explores this theme in new displays in the heritage buildings.

FOUNDLINGS

exhibition by Michele Karsh-Ackerman

May 19 to June 25

Agnes Jamieson Gallery

Michele tells the story, stitch by stitch, of her family history. In 1929, at seventeen years of age, her pregnant grandmother was sent to an institution in Montreal called Misericordia – a home for unwed mothers run by an order of Catholic nuns. This exhibition honours the secret lives of unwed mothers who fled to institutions from the 1920's to the 1960's. The central exhibition work is 100 sleepers, from a vintage 1950s pattern of the curtains that hung in the living rooms of these girls' homes.

To Like or Dislike:

Is Art Just Subjective?

On June 16 at 7pm in the Common

Room curator Laurie Carmount will be presenting images of artwork spanning hundreds of years. Is art just subjective or can there be objectiveness to it? At first glance you will determine do I like it or not? Then the work is viewed again, this time listening to rationalizations and hearing the history behind it. Will this change your mind? Will this help you understand art better?

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please visit www.mindenculturalcentre.com or call 705-286-2808

FINAL 2011 TAX BILLS

Final 2011 tax bills will be mailed out shortly. Payment is due in two (2) installments, on July 22 and September 23, 2011. In order to avoid penalty your payment must be received in the Municipal Office by the due dates. Penalty at the rate of 1 1/4% per month is added to all past due taxes on the first day of each and every month until your account is paid in full. This tax bill also indicates any past due taxes and penalty accumulated up to July 31, 2011.

Property owners are **responsible** to provide to the Municipal Office written notification of any address change. Failure to receive your tax bill does not exempt penalty charges from being applied to a tax account. Please contact us if your 911 address is not included with your mailing address on your tax bill.

PREAUTHORIZED PAYMENT PLANS

Installment Plan – Payments will be deducted from your bank account automatically on the due dates. Taxes must be paid to date with no overdue amounts.

Arrears Plan – a pre-approved amount will be withdrawn on the last business day of each month to clear up overdue taxes.

10 Month Payment Plan - the current year taxes will be deducted from February to November on the last business day of each month. Taxes must be paid to date with no overdue amounts.

Forms are available on our website under "Finance & Tax Department" or at the Township Office.

FIRE SEASON

From April 1st to October 31st in any year is "Fire Season". During Fire Season, no person shall start a fire outdoors for the purpose of burning piled wood, brush, leaves or discarded wood products unless:

- a.) The fire is started two (2) hours before sunset, or later, and is extinguished two (2) hours after sunrise, and
- b.) A responsible person is available to tend the fire until it is extinguished, and
- c.) The material burned is in a single pile that is less than two (2) metres in diameter and less than two (2) metres high, and
- d.) The fire is at least two (2) metres from any flammable materials, and
- e.) The person tending the fire has adequate tools and or water available to contain the fire.

Any persons setting an outdoor fire shall be responsible for any damage to property or injury to persons, and be liable for all costs incurred by the Fire Department.

If you require further information on these regulations, Fire Chief, Doug Schell, may be contacted at the Fire Hall at 286-1202 for clarification.

A total ban against outdoor burning may be declared when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances warrant it. Such a ban will be posted at the Tourist Information Centre, located on Highway 35 in Minden, and at area businesses. It is YOUR responsibility to be aware of fire bans.

IN THE EVENT OF A TOWNSHIP RELATED EMERGENCY AFTER HOURS, PLEASE CALL: 1-866-856-3247. FOR ALL OTHER EMERGENCIES DIAL 9-1-1

Reid still optimistic about Canadian Tire

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

Speculation the Canadian Tire development is dead was put to rest at the township of Minden Hills town hall meeting at the Minden Community Centre on Saturday, May

This is the second such meeting for the council and it gave the public an opportunity to hear about the efforts of the various committees, including guest speakers such as OPP detachment commander Malcolm Quigley.

Reeve Barb Reid, who did not immediately answer, was questioned about the status of the development a few times nearing the end of the event.

"You're going to have to be patient a little longer. We had a meeting with the Ministry of Transport (MTO). That's all I'm willing to say. I'm cautiously optimistic. Stay tuned. Watch this space as they say in the U.K. We are giving our best shot to make it possible for that organization to have all the conditions in place for a successful venture. If that organization concludes those conditions are not in place then they would have to make their own decisions. We are working our tails off," she said, adding she has had three conversations with the minister of transportation since February. "This has gone to the highest people in the provincial government. I have told them how important this is to our community. There is no doubt in anyone's mind what this means to us."



Councillor Lisa Schell of Minden Hills's environmental committee announced a new electronic waste bin at the Scotch Line landfill site, eliminating the need for an electronic waste day during the Minden Hills town hall meeting at the Minden Hills Community Centre May 28.

Darren Lum Times staff

Reid adds a decision is likely by the next town hall meeting, which is expected to be held mid-August, possibly the second week.

OPP ask for public help

Quigley implores the public to telephone the police if they witness any suspicious behaviour.

"I cannot stress enough that the partnership has to involve you, your neighbours and you got to pick up that phone. I'll be standing here a year from now saying the same thing to you because it's not going to change," he said. "We're relying on people to be our eyes and ears. We can't be everywhere."

Police presence will be greater, he adds, as part of an effort to combat marijuana grow operations in the area.

Official plan review underway

Cheryl Murdoch of the planning committee said the township has hired consultants to review the official plan.

'We are way behind on this. The other three municipalities have completed theirs so has the county so we need to get on this ASAP," she said.

A public meeting will be held in the summer and autumn for input.

The township wants to move from the clean and clear bylaw to a property standards bylaw, which will leave the onus for legal action (when an appeal is made by a property owner after an order by the township is given) on the property owner instead of the township.

"Ît's a big change that will come and there are properties out there that need attention," Murdoch said.

Precedent-setting committee

The protective services committee, also presented by Murdoch, is the first of its kind in the province.

'The idea behind this committee is that it would be the conduit for the public to have access to a committee and council would have a better sense of any changing needs in policing priorities," Reid said.

Exception for popular table

Lisa Schell of the environment committee said the Scotch Line landfill has 30 more years.

"I believe the recycling, clear bags and ... everybody being in compliance has really helped," she said, adding an expert based the claim on the diversion rate remains the

She adds there is a new electronic waste bin at the Scotch Line Road.

Referring to a letter in the Minden Times May 18 edition about the recycling of goods for giveaway table at other landfills, Schell was in agreement and is in the process of applying for an exception for the table. The issue is a Ministry of Environment certificate of approval restricting the removal of anything from the Minden landfills.

Several people remarked an appreciation of the event, but believe the turnout could be higher if publicized more.

It was pointed out that the event was advertised in the Minden Times and that a public service announcement was sent to Canoe FM.

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Minden's Women's **Institute folds**

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

After 104 years, the Minden Women's Institute is folding.

President Pam Rolfe said it is a trend with women's institutes across the country as memberships dwindle.

"Young people are busy working and they don't have time," Rolfe told the paper. "They figure these are old-fashioned things."

The local women's institute - there are similar organizations across the country and throughout the world - was formed in Iune of 1907.

The local group served as a sort of support network for farmers' wives.

"It helped farmers' wives do all the things that would keep their families healthy," Rolfe said, explaining this included everything from food preparation to making homemade remedies to learning how to

'You can go out and buy things cheaper than you can make them now," said Rolfe, who joined the local institute 16 years ago after her retirement.

Rolfe, 79, has served as the group's president for the past nine years.

Membership in the local group is down to 13 and most members are quite elderly.

"Most are well into their 70s," Rolfe said, adding that the oldest member is 94.

"You haven't got the energy to do these

Planning meetings, which happened 10 times a year, required lining up a guest speaker and making other preparations.

"I've always tried to make the meetings very interesting," Rolfe said.

In this region, known as Victoria East, the number of women's institutes have fallen to from nine to two.

"It's a very sad thing to have to do," Rolfe said. "It's lived its life."

The ladies will have one last luncheon at the Minden United Church on June 15.

Haliburton County Farmers' Market gears up for third season in Carnarvon

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

The Haliburton County Farmers' Market will kick off its 2011 season on June 17.

The market will take place each Friday on the lot beside That Place in Carnarvon near the intersection of highways 35 and 118 until Sept. 9.

Last year was the market's first year at that location and organizer Angela McGreevy said it seemed to be a hit with patrons, locals and cottagers alike.

"The people seemed to like it," McGreevy said. "We got a lot of positive response."

The market will again offer a wide array of locally grown and made foods including produce, breads and baked goods, pickles, chutneys and speciality food items such as hummus.

New this year will be shiitake mushrooms grown in the Bancroft region.

There will also be gluten-free, flourless and vegan baked goods and organic vegetable, flower and herb seed packets, as well as seed balls and hearts.

"You just throw it and grow it," McGreevy

Two new producers will be selling berries, apples, melons and tomato and pepper plants.

"We are going to have local rhubarb," McGreevy said, explaining the rhubarb had been picked and frozen so it will still be

There will also be lamb available.

Artisans will have booths set up and McGreevy is busy arranging to have guest speakers and performers at the market throughout the summer.

There will also be a table where not-forprofit organizations can set up displays.

To book the table, or if you are a performer or for more information, call McGreevy at 457-9843.

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MNR to conduct fish survey on Twelve Mile Lake

Jenn Watt

Editor

Two Haliburton County lakes will be visited in a fish management survey this summer by the Ministry of Natural

Paudash and Twelve Mile lakes will both be included in a five-year monitoring cycle that will help determine fishing seasons and size restrictions.

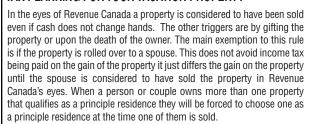
"In each five-year cycle we visit selected lakes once. As we continue into Cycle 2, 3, etc., we will be returning to selected lakes," MNR aquatic science operations specialist Steve Vandermeer said.

"Returning to lakes and repeating the survey enables the

Financial Advice

with Susan Lee - Certified Financial Planner





When you sell a principle residence, if you do not fill out a form T2091-(IND) (designation of a property as a principle residence by an individual) Revenue Canada assumes that you are claiming the property sold as a principle residence (PRE- Principle Residence Exemption) for all the years of ownership of that property unless you fill out this form and report it on your tax return for the year of the sale. If the PRE is assumed then no other property can be designated as a principle residence for those same vears of ownership.

I often have this discussion with clients who have owned their home and cottage for several decades and we are doing some estate planning. What I am seeing more now is the situation where a starter cottage was purchased and then sold a few years later and a different cottage is purchased (on a bigger lake as an example). As soon as the first cottage is sold, if the T2091-(IND) form is not filled out, even with the asset being replaced with a similar one, those years of joint ownership with another principle residence (PRE) are lost. If the first cottage had not appreciated that much over the years then it might be more beneficial to pay income tax on the gain and save the PRE for the other principle residence.

When you sell a principle residence and claim the gain on your tax return the gain is the difference between the selling price and the adjusted cost base (ACB). The ACB includes the cost to purchase the property plus any improvements and renovations to the property and more (talk to your accountant), but you must provide proof of this cost to Revenue Canada so keep all of your receipts

In the past it was harder for Revenue Canada to keep track of the buying and selling of principle residences where you or an acquaintance may have owned two homes at the same time and sold both properties over the years and never paid any tax on the gain of either property. Times have changed, with computer technology it is much easier for Revenue Canada to keep track of changes at the land registry office.

Helping you plan for your future, Susan Lee



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Technicians will be setting nets on Paudash and Twelve Mile lakes. Submitted photo

MNR to detect changes in the resource at a fisheries management zone level."

Technicians will be putting nets into Paudash and Twelve Mile hoping to catch a sample of the fish species in those lakes. They are also checking water quality and looking for invasive species.

'The overall health of a lake and its fish population can be negatively affected by many reasons such as loss of habitat, over harvest, invasive species, etc.," Vandermeer said. "Checking for invasive species is conducted by field crews in addition to the netting program to monitor the spread of invasive species across the province."

Vandermeer is asking that people stay away from the survey nets, which will be clearly marked with flags, flashing lights and MNR contact information.

"If you're on a lake that is being monitored, please don't lift the nets or buoys and avoid recreational activities between and around the buoys," he said.

This is year four of the current cycle. About 1,000 lakes are

County library reports good year

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

It was a good year for the Haliburton County Public Library. That was the message from library CEO Bessie Sul-



livan as she presented her report for 2010 to county councillors at their May 25 meeting.

Circulation was up from just less than 80,000 items in 2009 to more than 116,000 in 2010, for an increase of 45 per cent. "That's the only statistic we can use [to gauge success]," Sullivan said. "That makes me incredibly proud."

There was an increase in membership - the library now has more than 6,660 cardholders - and in the size of the library collection, which grew by more than 8,000 items dur-

The library entered into reciprocal agreements with the boards for the Kawartha Lakes Public Library, the Smith-Ennismore-Lakefield Public Library, the Galway-Cavendish and Harvey Public Library and the Lake of Bays Public Library. The libraries agreed to waive fees for non-residents. Last year saw the introduction of Haliburton County's portable library, a library booth that is set up at community events. It appeared at the arts and crafts festival, the Wilberforce Agricultural Fair and twice at the Haliburton County Farmers' Market.

The incredible growth the library has experienced since the new Minden Hills and Dysart et al branches opened in 2009 is causing some strain.

Service gaps identified in Sullivan's report include web design and maintenance; readers' services programming coordination; training coordination; and volunteer coordination. "It was also determined that, based on the huge increase in the volume of new materials being added and circulated, there was an overall need for more administrative staff," she wrote.

The library's cost for 2010 were just more than \$686,000, with approximately \$545,000 of that coming from the county. The bulk of that - about \$507,000 - was spent on the salaries of some 25 full- and part-time employees and nearly \$95,000 was spent on new materials.

The library also received a grant from the culture ministry for more than \$120,000. Due to high traffic, Sullivan has said the library will be opening its doors on Mondays this summer. She has also been emphasizing that seasonal residents are eligible for library cards.

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Local politicians meet with cabinet ministers

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

The Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock day at Queen's Park was a success for the county, its economic development director says.

The event, put on by MPP Rick Johnson to showcase the riding, took place at the provincial legislature on May 18.

"I think it really raised the awareness of what's available in Rick's constituency," Bob Smith told the paper.

A delegation of 17 politicians and staffers from the county ran five booths; one for each of the lower-tier townships and one for the county itself.

The county's table promoted the Highlands as a whole, Smith said.

He was joined by county chief administrative officer Jim Wilson and Amy Brohm, the county's tourism marketing coordinator. Minden Hills took a cultural approach, with R.D. Lawrence Place coordinator Sheryl Loucks accompanying Reeve Barb Reid to the event.

Representing Algonquin Highlands were Reeve Carol Moffatt and trails coordinator Mark Coleman, as the township was focusing on its water trails system.

From Dysart et al there was Reeve Murray Fearrey and Deputy-reeve Bill Davis, along with Dave Bishop of the Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve and Dave Webb of Sir Sam's Ski and Summer Resort.

Highlands East sent the largest group and joining Reeve Dave Burton and Deputy-reeve Suzanne Partridge were Micheal Bainbridge, recreational geology project coordinator for Ontario's Highlands,



Politicians and staff from Haliburton County joined representatives from Brock and the City of Kawartha Lakes at a promotional event for the riding put on by MPP Rick Johnson at Queen's Park on May 18. Submitted photo.

Other reeves spoke with other ministers.

Moffatt got some face time with natural

resources minister Linda Jeffrey about the

possibility of the MNR moving its local fire

response base from Haliburton to Stanhope

Tammy Donaldson who promoted geocaching, township chief administrative officer Sharon Stoughton-Craig and consultant Peter Fredricks.

Along with promoting the county, the day also afforded the reeves a chance to meet with provincial ministers.

Burton met with energy minister Brad Duguid to discuss the possibility of renewable energy projects in his township and with minister of northern development, mines and forestry Michael Gravelle to discuss the recreational geology project the county is rolling out.

Johnson sat in on the meetings.

"I think it's huge for him to take the time to do that with us," Burton said.

frey's staffers had said they were well aware of the issue.

Moffatt said the township was looking forward to another meeting with the MNR on the possibility and was hoping to get it done before the ministry became consumed with the summer fire season.

"It's the last of several balls in the air," she said in reference to what seems to be a number of development options at the airport. Moffatt thought the day in general had

The City of Kawartha Lakes also focused on tourism with its display, Smith said, and Brock had some of its food producers present. While two committee rooms at Queen's Park had been booked, as Smith explained, those bookings can be bumped at any time. So was the case last week and the riding's entire delegation ended up in one room. "It was a little tight," Smith said, but added it seem to detract people from checking out what the riding had to offer, estimated that 175 people - mostly MPPs and Queen's Park staff - or more made their way through.

He said the 100 information packages the county had made up were gone.

While other MPPs have organized showcases for their ridings, it was the first time this riding has been part of such an event.

Devolin raises volume on

Daniel Proussalidis

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He's running one of the most public campaigns for Speaker of the House of Commons, but Barry Devolin says no candidate is a safe bet to win the key post.

Speaker campaign

"If this were a horse race, I don't think there's anyone that you could describe as a prohibitive favourite," said the Conservative MP for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock.

Devolin held a news conference Tuesday, May 24 to pump up interest in his campaign. He's even chosen an issue to rally the support of the 308 MPs, especially rookies, who'll cast ballots for a Speaker next Thurs-

Devolin wants one staff member in the Speaker's office to be designated "MP liai-



I don't think there's anyone that you could describe as a prohibitive favourite.

— Barry Devolin

son" to help MPs and their staff members handle issues like parking, office space, and other administrative problems.

Devolin is cautiously optimistic about his campaign.

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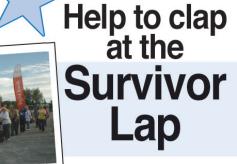
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Musical history of Haliburton wowed historical society

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Members of the Haliburton County Historical Society were taken on a colourful and comical journey through the county's musical past last week.

Bill Gliddon, who for decades taught music at schools throughout the county, spoke to and performed for society members at their annual general meeting at the Maple Lake United Church on May 25.

Music predated the presence of people, even aboriginal ones, in Haliburton County, Gliddon argued, contending the area's first musical performances were the ones composed by nature.

The calls of songbirds. The wind through the pine trees. "And of course, the haunting cry of the loons," Gliddon

When European immigrants began settling in what would be Haliburton County, they brought with them folk songs and instruments of their home countries, mostly the

Suddenly there were pianos, fiddles, guitars and harmonicas amongst the trees and rocks and music lessons even took place in the small schoolhouses that dotted the landscape.

"The teaching of music in the little schools . . . is often overlooked," Gliddon said.

He told the story of Theresa Stewart, the wife of Charles Stewart, an agent with the Canadian Land and Emigration Company who moved to Haliburton in the 1860s.

They built a manor home on the property now occupied

by Haliburton Highlands Secondary School and Theresa, who became the area's arts matriarch, had a performance art pavilion built on the property, close to the site where the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion stands today.

'She was an amazing woman," Gliddon said.

He also told the story of Dr. John Peake, a surgeon who acted as the de facto minister and organist at St. George's Anglican Church when it first began holding services around Christmas of 1864.

The church had no organ at the time, so Peake, who knew only two songs that weren't even proper church songs, would play a makeshift contraption consisting of an accordion mounted on its side on a wooden frame and played using a foot pedal.

Then, to the delight his audience, Gliddon pulled a cover off the replica of the contraption that the church owns and demonstrated how it would have been played, singing and keying church songs as he stood on one foot.

For years, both Haliburton and Minden had their own town bands which would play at community events and Gliddon charted the area's musical history right up to the diverse musical culture it enjoys today.

Gliddon, who studied music at the University of Toronto, also pleased the crowd playing two movements from one of his own pieces, Five Pictures of Haliburton County, on the keyboard.

"There's so much more I could have told and so much I don't know," he said as he wrapped up his presentation.

Gliddon's talk was preceded by updates on the society's activities and finances, the election of officers and a potluck lunch.



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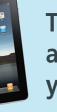
Bill Gliddon prepares to cut into a cake made especially for him by Judy Carpenter at the annual general meeting of the Haliburton County Historical Society at the Maple Lake United Church on May 27. Gliddon spoke about music in the Highlands at the meeting.



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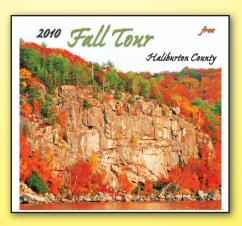


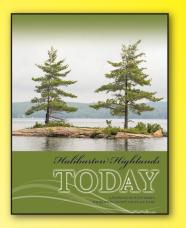
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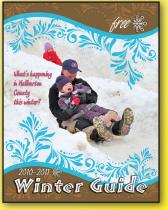
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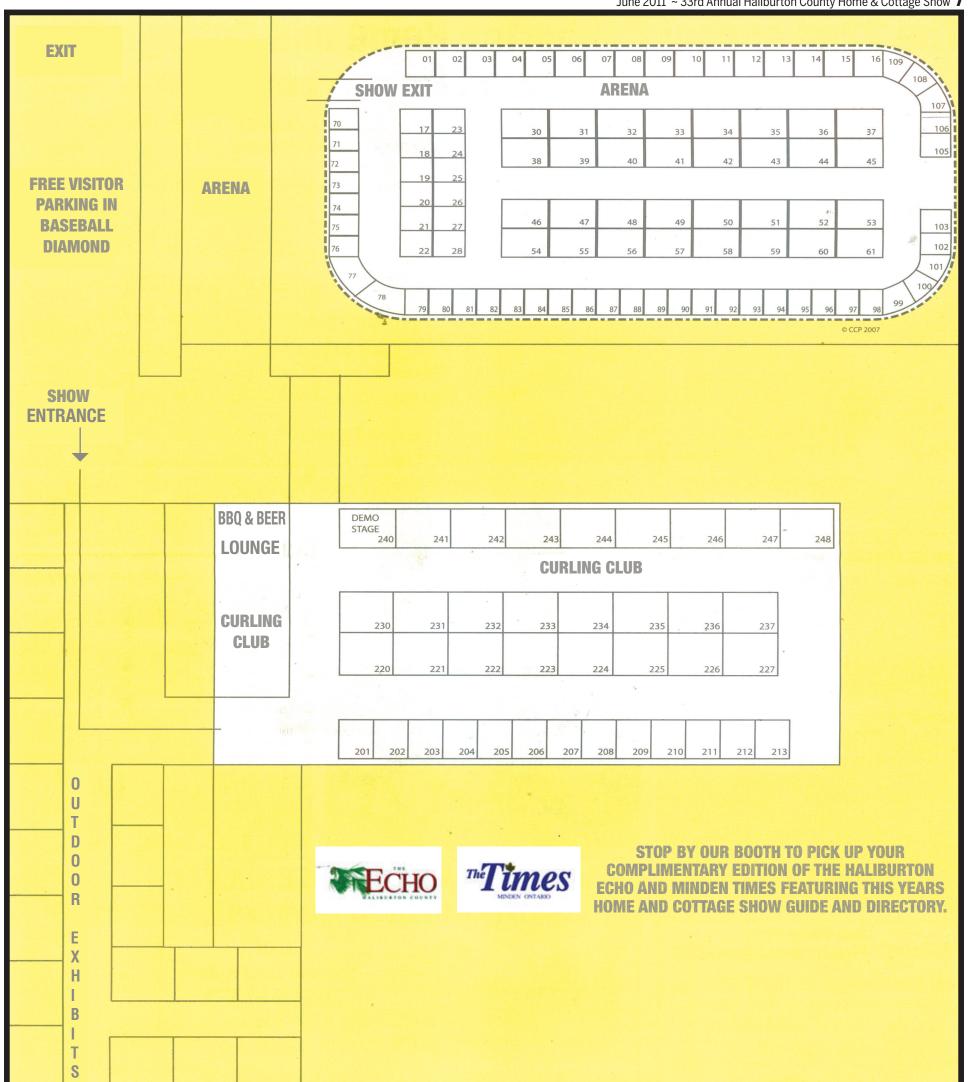
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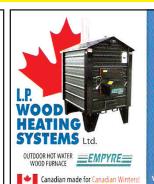
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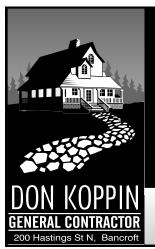


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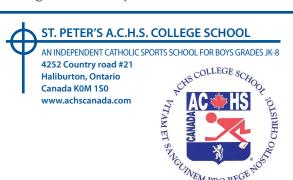
Rugby league hits **Minden Hills**

Are you interested in rugby? Or do you just want to have a fun day outside? Register today for the Minden Hills Rugby Clinic coming this summer.

Registrations are now available for the one-day Learn to Play Rugby event. The program will be run by Alexis David. David is a Brock University rugby player and Team Ontario gold medalist, also the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Boys rugby players and coaches will attend.

The events will take place on July 9 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Minden Fairgrounds. The cost is \$25/player (including HST) and includes a custom Minden Hills Rugby Tshirt. All girls and boys between the ages of 9 to 14 are invited to join. No experience is needed. The day will be filled with exciting games and skills taught in a non-contact environment by our experienced coaching staff. Bring shorts/sweatpants, T-shirt/sweater, running shoes water and a lunch. Sign up today!

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Ruggers reflect and look to the future

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

Sadly there wasn't a fairy tale ending for the Red Hawks Varsity Rugby team this season after losing in the Kawartha quarterfinals against St. Mary's earlier this month.

However, for everyone involved with the team, this was far from the most important aspect of this season.

With a varsity squad that was comprised of every age possible in high school, the Red Hawks were a veritable melting pot of ages that learned about team work, sportsmanship and experienced life on the road, visiting a variety of athletic facilities.

They were in tough against older and more experienced squads, but what they lacked paled in comparison to their effort, dedication and heart.

Coach and spokesperson Chris Simpson regularly saw greater value in the experience he was helping with than the points scored on the field.

"The season was a great experience for both the boys and the coaches; we managed to extend our season from the original four [regular season] games, by going to the Kawartha quarter-finals and entering the Red Hot tournament; thanks to the support of the boys and Ontario Hydro contributing to the entry and bus fees," he wrote in an email. "So we played a total of eight games, which really is still a pretty short season. But it gave both (the players and coaches) the opportunity to further develop the skills and decision-making required to be competitive.

The coaching staff includes Ryan Rawlins and Louis McIntyre.

Simpson, who has received many compliments about the team's conduct and love of the game, said the team's season was highlighted by the 5-5 tie against the St. Thomas Aquinas Secondary School Titans, including the 7-0 win against the Kenner Collegiate Vocational Institute Rams in the final regular season game to propel the team into the Kawartha quarterfinals.

We are all very proud of the boys' accomplishments, both related to the field and the commitment that they showed throughout the season. I would like to thank the seniors for their commitment and assistance along with coach Rawlins and McIntyre. The combination of resources made for a great and very enjoyable season," he said.

With a team of such strong character that was exhibited by the entire team there is particular credit is given by prop players Dylan Graham and Eric Whitty who were pillars of



Darren Lum Times staff

A Red Hawks varsity rugby player looks to evade defenders out on the flat during the last game of the season against the Kenner Collegiate Vocational Institute Rams on Tuesday, May 17. Haliburton won 7-0, but lost in the guarter finals.

Simpson said the team might have one more game left as it has been invited to play in the Fun in the Sun game, hosted by the Titans.

When the team defeated the Rams to advance to the playoffs interest for next year was generated, as there were several students that approached the coaching staff, lamenting regret about not joining this season.

There is a hope to increase interest for the program to offer junior and senior teams. However failing that the coach believes varsity is always a possibility and that there is greater opportunities for growth and development for a team because of the presence of the seniors.

An upcoming summer clinic for girls and boys, which will be hosted by the Township of Minden Hills, is expected to help with creating interest.

Louis Ferracuti, Jonah Stonehouse, Austin Lloyd and Aaron Carter are leader candidates that could fill the void left behind by the departure of seniors Greg Baumgartner, Chris Allison and Matt Vieira.

Six Red Hawks heading to provincial track and field championships

It was a great day for the entire Red Hawks track and field team, considering the wet conditions, as it poured rain for two days at the Eastern Regional Track and Field Meet in Ottawa on Thursday, May 26 and Friday, May 27.

As a result, the team is sending six athletes to the all-provincial finals in Sudbury from Thursday to Saturday, June

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Note: a special mention to Connor Bird who missed the papers last week when he placed first at COSSA in midget boys triple jump. Bird was injured at regionals and did not advance to OFSAA.

-files from Bruce Griffith



Lions turn up the grill to fight Leukemia

The Minden and District Lions Club member, left, Jim McKinnon gets a helping hand from Head Lake cottager Mike Robson during a barbecue that helped to raise \$500 for the Returns for Leukemia fundraiser at the Minden Beer Store on Saturday, May 28. The store raised \$1,545 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of Canada through the collection of empties during the past few weeks. Darren Lum Times staff



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MH council awards official contract

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

Minden Hills council awarded the contract for the township's five-year official plan review at a meeting May 26.

The contract was awarded to Meridian Planning Consultants Inc. out of Barrie.

Councillors had previously been part of education session where they heard representatives from applying consulting firms make their pitches.

Five applicants were whittled down to three; Meridian, MHBC Planning and EcoVue Consulting Services Inc., a Lakefield firm used regularly by the township.

EcoVue's proposal was for nearly 780 hours of work with a total cost of just less than \$56,000.

MHBC's offer was for some 416 hours of work at a total cost of just under \$39,000 and Meridian's about \$32,500 for about 409 hours of work.

Councillor Iean Neville had concerns about the public input aspect of the review process and thought EcoVue would do the best job in this

She was also concerned about the quality of the presentation that councillors had heard from Meridian.

Reeve Barb Reid agreed that the company hadn't given the most scintillating presentation, but said from a value of money standpoint, their proposal is excellent."

Reid said the firm had done work for Highlands East township and that council and staff there had been happy with the result.

Councillor Ken Redpath thought both Meridian and EcoVue would do a fine job, but noted the low bid by Meridian was nearly \$25,000 less than the bid

"I don't have to think about that," he said, explaining he was going with the lowest bidder.

Councillor Lisa Schell endorsed EcoVue, saving the firm was already familiar with the issues of Minden Hills and that, as far as its hourly rate was concerned, it was the cheapest.

Ecovue's hourly rate worked out to \$71.68, while the hourly rates for Meridian and MHBC were \$79.68 and \$93.67 respectively.

Like Neville, Councillor Brigitte Gall said she'd been looking at how the firms intended to interact with the community, but thought Meridian would do the best job.

Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch noted that \$60,000 was budgeted for the review and that supporting the EcoVue will still put the township under budget.

Murdoch, who'd asked councillors to explain the rationale for their decision-making, also asked township chief Ken Jones to read his report on the tenders. The report said EcoVue would do a more in-depth job than the other applicants.

"During discussion following the interviews, there were concerns expressed about the 'delivery of Merdian's presentation and the cost of EcoVue's proposal," Jones wrote in the report's final paragraph. "It was the consensus of council at that time that the project be awarded to EcoVue. However, the CAO and chief building official were directed to meet with EcoVue to discuss specific concerns related to the project."

In the end, a recorded vote was requested with Reid, Redpath, Gall and Councillor-at-large Larry Clarke supporting the Meridian contract while Murdoch, Schell and Neville were against it.

Minden Hills is the last of the county's four township to complete its five-year official plan review, for which it has a November deadline.





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Sue Shikaze from the local health unit believes that the Commuter Challenge is a great way to get active, and at the same time get into the habit of using other modes of transportation. This Commuter Challenge takes place all over Canada during Canadian Environment Week. The event began to promote environmentally friendly modes of transportation and also to encourage healthy living.

"It's part of my role at the health unit to help out. I work in chronic disease prevention. The challenge definitely motivates people to become physically active which helps in creating a healthy active community," says Shikaze, explaining why she chooses to participate.

About 100 to 120 people are expected to engage, making a little bit of competition. Last year Haliburton Highlands Secondary School won for highest rate of participants at a workplace. Forty-one per cent of the staff at the school walked or cycled during the week-long challenge. Dr. Butera's dental practice won for most participation in a small workplace and Stuart Baker Elementary School won for medium sized workplace.

There are so many great benefits of walking and cycling. Gas prices are skyrocketing anyways, so why not get where you need to go without paying money? Even if you don't want to go all out with the challenge you can still keep a bicycle in your car. Stop a little ways away from the workplace and cycle for the remainder of the day. It's so easy to get involved that everyone should be doing it. Rewards will be given to those who travel the most with environmentally friendly modes of transportation.

If anyone needs ideas on how to commute actively, they can pick up a Walk and Roll guide at any local library. This free booklet will help you come up with ways to travel around our county without a motor. Participants are asked to acknowledge the fact that you can't add kilometers to your score unless you travelled somewhere not for pleasure, but for reason. For example travelling to work, school or one of your friend's houses can add to your kilometres. Travelling for your own enjoyment unfortunately does not count.

If we all made an effort to walk and bike more often, everybody would feel a lot better. No more routine car trips to school or work and back means more money in pocket, and less pollution in the air. This June, sign your workplace or family up for the challenge. You can't possibly feel the benefits unless you get out there and try. Support your environment and your well-being; get involved.



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Brian Mulholland rode about 50 km round trip to and from work, earning him the commuter challenge award from the Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition in 2009.

County unenthused by TSW report

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

With little fanfare, county councillors accepted a report on a roundtable meeting on the Trent-Severn Waterway at their May 25 meeting.

The 71-page report is based on an event that took place at Peterborough's Trent University in January and brought together leaders from throughout the Trent-Severn water-

"Together, these leaders looked at the challenges, questions and opportunities facing the waterway and surrounding areas," a foreword by university president Dr. Steven Franklin and Dawn Bronson of the Parks Canada Agency

Automobiles from the recycling bin

Harry Pegg

Special to the Times

It might surprise you to learn that the product the green lobby and vote-hungry politicians love to hate - the automobile - is ranked very high on the most-recycled list.

In fact the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) says more than 95 per cent of "end of life" vehicles are processed for recycling with steel making up the greatest percentage. That compares to 52 per cent of all paper products and 31per cent of plastic soft drink bottles. We're not at the point where we can take the old clunker to the recycling bin, but we're getting closer.

Today's vehicles are about 85 per cent recyclable; however, the amount of recycled material used in their construction is more like 25 to 40 per cent, but growing as companies research the use of recycled and organic-based materials.

New cars contain a mixture of recycled metals, old blue jeans and other fabrics, and cardboard along with plastics from past soft drink bottles. They find their way into underbody shields, battery trays, engine head covers, carpets, replacement bumpers, grille frames, wheel arch liners, exterior mirror housings, roof lining, instrument panels, parcel shelves, sound proofing, insulation, trunk floors, interior padding and seat fabrics.

Large amounts are being spent on researching renewable resources as potential building blocks for new vehicles.

Soy is already being widely used as a biodegradable base for polyurethane foams for seat cushions and headliners. Wheat straw and other plant fibres are used to reinforce plastic for storage bins and door panels. Re-engineered wood becomes interior trim. Kenaf fibre (from a bamboolike Asian plant) is used as reinforcement between the steel roof and the headliner.

Ford says its 2011 Explorer is 85 per cent recyclable and General Motors makes the same claim about its GMC Ter-

What's next? The companies aren't saying much except that their research into sustainable sources of vehicle components continues.

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"This report has been prepared based on discussions and input contributed during the roundtable. We trust it will serve as a useful record of the dialogue, insightful comments and thoughtful suggestions made by participants and contribute to a collective vision for the long-term economic, cultural and environmental sustainability for the Trent-Severn region and its communities."

It didn't appear the report was serving that purpose for county representatives who'd attended the meeting.

"I didn't really feel that we learned anything," said county planner Jane Tousaw, adding that she'd felt as though she was being sold something all day.

"We've been talking about the same thing for 30 years," said Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey, registering as much approval of the report as he had of the meeting.

Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid also attended the January

"There were some good things identified," Reid said, pointing in particular to the lack of marketing around the waterway.

However, she lamented the general ineffectiveness of the meeting and the continuing lack of action on solving the problems of the waterway, one of which is that its aging dams need about \$300 million worth of work.

Reid scoffed that this was the equivalent of just a few days of funding for last year's G8/G20 event.

"We walked out of there without hearing a plan," she



Haliburton Land Trust releases nominees for annual gala

Twenty-two "heroes" will be recognized for their contributions to protecting Haliburton's natural resources and environment at the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust's fourth gala on Saturday, June 18.

The gala, Wild About Nature, is a celebration of environmental excellence.

The evening will feature an awards ceremony for Haliburton County's Enviro-Heroes - individuals, businesses or organizations that have made a major contribution to the protection and sustainability of our natural resources and environment.

A total of 22 Enviro-Hero nominations were received from the public in six categories: business, stewardship, education, the arts, health and youth.

The calibre of the people, organizations and businesses nominated is outstanding, and their panel of judges, Barb Bolin, Haliburton Highlands Stewardship Council member; Carol Moffatt, Algonquin Highlands reeve; and Dianne Mathes, HHLT vice-chairperson, will have a difficult time choosing a winner in each category.

All nominees will be recognized at the event. The winning nomination in each category will receive a special award designed by land trust director and renowned artist, Mary Anne Barkhouse. The gala celebration, at Camp Wanakita, starts at 6 p.m. with an auction preview. Dinner, created by Chef Ron Tenthory, follows at 7 p.m.

Included in the evening will be special awards to honour the HHLT's generous land donors - Bruce Carruthers, the Dahl family and Donald

Formal recognition will also be given to the Ontario Trillium Foundation's \$91,500 grant to HHLT. There will also be environmentally themed auctions of art, products and experiences.

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A person or group that has effectively organized and delivered environmental education opportunities for children, youth, or adults.

- Dr. Donald A. Smith
- YMCA Camp Wanakita
- Mark and Sandra Bramham
- Greenmantle Farm Colin Harris - Take Me Outside

Michael Bainbridge and Steve Smith

An artist who has produced a body of work that celebrates our natural environment.

- Peter Buwalda
- Lisa Barry
- Lyn Winans
- Sue Forbes
- Erin Lynch
- Brenda Peddigrew

A person or organization whose environmental activities promote, exemplify or result in healthy lifestyles.

- Ski Friends of the Frost Centre
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- Andrea Covsh
- Marianne and Richard Taylor

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Young Eagles take kids in the air this week

Haliburton- Stanhope airport's 18th annual Young Eagles' Days is happening on:

Thursday, June $\overline{2}$ from $\overline{5}$ p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, June 3 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Saturday, June 4 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

More than 1.6 million young people worldwide have experienced the thrill of flight in a small airplane under EAA Young Eagles Program.

This program was started to celebrate the 100th anniversary of powered flight by the Wright Brothers in 1903.

At Stanhope Airport more than 2,500 local young people have enjoyed a flight since 1994.

Participants will need parent/guardian signatures to participate. Forms will be available that day at the airport.

Some photocopied forms are available in the school The program is for students between the ages of 8 to 17

years old. Come out and learn about airplanes, flying and aviation

For more information call John Packer at the airport at



Kids are invited to come out to Stanhope Airport for a free airplane ride, and to learn all about flying and careers in aviation. The event will be held between June 2 - 4. File photo.

Make a splash at the Haliburton-Muskoka water festival

Families are invited to have fun making their mark with water arts and crafts during a family festival on Saturday, June 4 near Carnarvon.

The event is a grand finale for Watermark, a community fundraising art exhibit and family event by The Art Hive and Haliburton-Muskoka Children's Water Festival.

Kids and their parents will have an opportunity to get their feet wet at several fun-filled activity centres from the children's water festival, including "Rolling Through the Shed" and "How Much Water Does it Take?" Last fall, more than 900 students from across the region took part in the

The creative water art and crafts will include Squirt 'n' Paint, bubble art, watercolours and straw creations.

The family festival takes place at The Art Hive, 10239 Highway 118 (4 kilometres east of Carnarvon) on Saturday, June 4 from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. MPP Rick Johnson and Terri Crawford will be performing live music from 12:30 to

Bring a lunch and stay the day or just drop in and enjoy a coffee while your children create watery masterpieces.

Watermark passports are \$25 a family or \$14 a child, with

proceeds supporting programs at The Art Hive and Haliburton-Muskoka Children's Water Festival.

Everyone is also encouraged to visit the gallery Friday to Sunday between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. (beginning June 1 the hours are Thursday to Monday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.) to view the Watermark art show now taking place.

Proceeds from the sale of art works will also help support gallery programs and the water festival.

For more information, please visit thearthive.com or contact The Art Hive at 705-754-0021 or thearthive@live.

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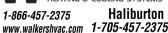
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Granny tea this weekend at Zion

All sold out! Those words are music to the ears of organizer for any event.

The Haliburton Highlands Grannies to Grannies will be hosting their third Granny Tea Party June 5 between the hours of 2 and 4 p.m. at the Zion United Church and tickets are sold out! Fantastic!

For those of you that are missing this year's event - there is always next year.

The next event the Zion Church will be holding is their annual music night June 11 starting at 7:30 p.m.

As is typical of their generous nature, the Zion Church is once again holding an annual outreach concert to help people in financial need in our area who can't afford proper dental care. This project is in support of the newly established Volunteer Dental Clinic to prove necessary supplies for all the dentists and technicians that are already volunteering their time.

Tickets are \$15 each and can be purchased by calling 705-489-2755 or 705-489-1577.

Refreshments will be served!

Spread the word; bring friends and neighbours while enjoying an evening of music presented by the Highlands Male Chorus, the TriVocals, Melissa Stephens and other surprises.

Let's follow Bruce Fisher on his journey from Athens, Ontario to St. John's, Newfoundland. Bruce leaves on June 18. on his bicycle ride for the Special Olympics - Red Wolves of Haliburton County.

Bruce will be contacting Canoe FM each week at approximately 9:00 a.m. Ontario. More details will follow.

If you wish to contribute to this cause please send your cheque made out to Special Olympics - Ontario and mail it to 1006 Northern Highlands, ON, K0M 1J1.

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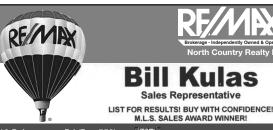


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Genealogy group goes Irish



Patti Fleury Around the Town

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Bruce's birthday is on the last day of May. With all the busy schedules a single get together was not possible and so here at the old farmhouse we have had a series of welcome family visits over the past few days. Today was no exception with younger daughter Caitlin and her partner Rick arriving along with his teenage daughter Julia and, for the first time, his young son Michael aged 4. Small Michael emerged from the car, brush cut and all, and came right over. "Do you have grand children?" he asked. Puzzled I replied in the affirmative. "Good, then there should be some toys in the house," he said heading off with yellow lab Taffy in tow. From now on Michael will be added to what has become my list of "persons of interest", a term frequently used in today's media, albeit in a difference sense. Along with the others I can no lay longer lay claim to in "grandmother" terms, just Patti, these children will always be "persons of interest" - interest as to their journeys, hopes, achievements, ups and downs as their familiar faces continue to shine out from the fridge door gallery.

The Wednesday, June 8 meeting of the Haliburton High-

lands Genealogy Group will feature Ellie MacNeil with a repeat of her very popular February slide presentation, which many people had to miss due to a bad winter storm. Ellie takes us through the Irish Memorial National Historic Site of the Grosse Ile Immigration Quarantine Centre where thousands of Irish immigrants were housed in 1847-48. Doors at the Minden Legion (12847 Hwy.35, across from Cty. Rd. 121) open at 6 p.m., with the speaker at 7 p.m. There will be the usual "Bring &Win Raffle and refreshments available. Everyone is welcome and there is no charge to attend. For more information call Gail at [707]

From the Legion Branch 441 Kinmount, good news for all you strawberry lovers. This year the Ladies Auxiliary will hold its annual "Strawberry Supper" on Saturday, June 18 starting at 4:30 p.m. with admission at the door. Vendors are invited to book their tables now for the "Bake & Yard Sale" coming up on Saturday, June 25 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The rates for tables are very reasonable so do give Tracy a call at 705-488-2810. There will be lots of items with something for everyone. Also on Saturday, June 25 it will be Karaoke night with Back Forty starting at 8 p.m. There is no admission charge so bring along a friend for an evening of fun. Ongoing regular activities at branch 441 include Friday night Bingo at 6:45 p.m. with a \$300 weekly jackpot, a Saturday meat draw at 5 p.m. and Summer Darts on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. Big Bucks Bid Euchre is on the third Wednesday of each month June 15 at 11 a.m. with a \$10 fee which includes lunch.

The Irondale Historical Society invites everyone to its "Victorian Tea" on Saturday, June 11 at Highland Trail Lodge, Irondale. Enjoy fancy sandwiches, fresh scones with Devonshire cream and preserves, fresh fruits and dainty desserts coupled with appropriate entertainment. There are two sittings, first at noon then later at 3 p.m. Seating is limited so book your personal reservation or table by calling [705] 457-8438 or email irondalehistory@gmail.com. The cost is \$15 per person with proceeds to the Irondale Historical Society.

More June dates to circle on your calendar. Craft Creations for Kids will be on Tuesday, June 14 at the Kinmount Library starting at 5 p.m. while the monthly Friends of the Library Book Sale comes up on Saturday, June 18 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the lower level of the branch. The fourth annual Kinmount Country Jamboree runs from June 23 through 26 at the Fairgrounds. Camping (trailers but no tents), weekend and day passes are available and for full information call 705-488-2372 or visit www.kinmountfair. net. The jamboree winds up with a Canada Day Picnic and Fireworks Display at dusk on Sunday, June 26 with free admission after 5 p.m. on that final day.

The fragrance from the old lilacs is haunting and thankfully the dragonflies have arrived. Until next week...

Groups always looking for new members for rec centre events



Melissa Alfano **Dorset News**

705-766-0076 melalfano@hotmail.com

Hello Dorset Ladies! Wednesday, June 1 is ladies night Mexican party from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre. Bring your appetite, your dancing shoes and \$5. We will have some fun, games, Mexican food and non-alcohol drinks. Feel free to wear any Mexican clothes, jewelry or hats that you might have. Please register by calling 705-766-9968 and don't forget to tell your friends. Hope to see you all there!

TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly) meets at the Dorset Recreation Centre every Tuesday evening from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. New members are always welcome. The cost to join is \$30 for one year plus \$5 dues per week. For more information, contact Lori at 705-766-2745.

Rhythmic Foundations Drumming Program takes place at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Mondays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Experience the benefits of hand drumming, self expression, creativity and play. No previous experience is required and all are welcome. Some drums and percussion instruments are provided but please feel free to bring a drum if you have one. For more information or to sign up, email Gillian at Gillian@rhythmicbynature.com or give her a call at 705-766-2323.

Still looking for a summer job? Employment Services with the YMCA can help. Every second and fourth Tuesday of the month, there will be an employment specialist at the Dorset Recreation Centre from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to help out.

Services offered include resume and cover letter assistance, job search advice, career coaching and job matching and placement. Services are also offered in Baysville and Dwight if you miss the Dorset days. For more information, contact the YMCA Employment Service in Huntsville at 705-787-0349.

Calling all quilters, knitters, crocheters and all manner of needle workers! Meet at the Dorset Recreation Centre every Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. to noon to share skills, social time and refreshments. The cost to participate is \$1 per person. Call the recreation centre for more information at 705-766-

I would like to share something I came across recently in a mad clutter clean up - one more time before I recycle it. Here are 12 Golden Rules for Living that can benefit everyone in any situation; 1. If you open it, close it; 2. If you turn it on, turn it off; 3. If you unlock it, lock it up; 4. If you break it, admit it; 5. If you can't fix it, call someone who can; 6. If you borrow it, return it; 7. If you value it, take care of it; 8. If you make a mess, clean it up; 9. If you move it, put it back; 10. If it belongs to someone else, get permission to use it; 11. If you don't know how to operate it, leave it alone; 12. If it's none of your business, don't ask questions. Wouldn't the world be a better place if we could all stick to these rules? I'm going to try and challenge you to try too.

Birthday wishes for the week of May 29 to June 4 go out to Rebecca Holtham, Brianna McKey, Thomas Arbuckle, Kristian Gracey, Matthew Avery and happy anniversary to Patricia and John Thompson. For all who have birthdays, anniversaries and special occasions this week, have fun on your special day!

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Coming Events

Four Counties Brain Injury Association

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING and 9th ANNUAL REC WALK

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Treasures N Trash June 18, 2011 to help plan this year's community yard sale event in Head Lake Park Please contact Laurie 705-457-2330 railsendgallery.com;

- June 2:HHSS Music Students Present A Spring Concert 7:30 p.m. Grade Nine Class, Red Hawk Jazz Combo, Red Hawk Jazz Ensemble and Guitar Night. Solos, Duos "Guitorkestra" Everyone is Welcome to attend. Admission by voluntary donation at the door
- . June 4: Giant Minden Rotary Dinner Auction at the Minden Community Centre doors open at 5:30, dinner at 7 catered by St Paul's Anglican Church \$30.00 per person Fun and Bargains galore with live, loonie, silent and country auctions Call Glen at 286-2198 for tickets by June 1. or available at Campbell's Garden Centre and Molly's Bistro in Minden. All proceeds to community projects
- June 4: SLACAR AGM at the Gelert Community Center Meeting starts at 10 am Refreshments will be served.
- June 5: The Granny Tea Party from 2-4pm in support of The Stephen Lewis Foundation. Located at the Zion United Church Carnarvon Admission \$12 for tickets call 705-286-2198
- June 8: Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild meeting at Stanhope Community Centre 1:00pm for more info call Pat
- June 8:Haliburton Curling Club Annual Golf Event Blairhampton Golf Club 1pm shotgun start \$45.00 entry fee. To register, call Larry Dart 705 457 5284; or Rick Ashall 705 455 9567. Non curlers are more than welcome
- June 8: Meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group will feature Ellie MacNeil with a repeat of February presentation Doors at the Minden Legion open at 6pm. Speaker at 7pm. For more information call Gail
- June 9-13:The Reliquary of Saint Brother Andre Events Our Lady of Mercy Church, Bancroft. Saint Anthony of Padua Church, Haliburton Contact Church for full List of Events

June 14: Haliburton OEYC First Student First Ride School Bus program at 10am. Please register with Haliburton OEYC staff at 705-457-2989 or oeychaliburton@bellnet.ca

June 25: Horseshoe Lake AGM 10am-noon at the club house at the Wild Life Preserve

- June 26: 9th Annual REC WALK located at Beavermead Park Ashburnham Dr. Check in at noon All proceeds to Four Counties Brain Injury Association contact 705-741-1172
- July 9:WALK RUN BIKE around the lake/BBQ Fundraiser for Minden Food Bank Registration at the Wild Water Preserve at 9 am. Call Dave for more info at 705-286-6593
- July 31: Kids Rock Bass Derby at he Winters cottage W94, Children-18 years of age Cost \$2.00 per entrant Call 705-286-2148 for more information
- River Walk Minden is asking residents for their help to lend historic pictures and/or family stories for interpretative signage and future historic booklet. For more information call 705-286-1312 or mindenriverwalk@gmail.com

VOLUNTEER with COMMUNITY CARE Please contact Eileen MacCormack Co-ordinator of Volunteer Services for more information at: 705-324-7323, by email emaccormack@community-care.on.ca or visit the Community Care website at www.community-care.on.ca

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Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date. NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

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